V. *An Account of a New Iſland raiſed near* Sant-Erini *in the* Archipelago ; *being part of a Letter to Mr.* James Petiver, *F. R. S. from Dr.* W. Sherard, *Conſul at* Smirna, *&c.*

Smirna, July 24. 1707.

I Juſt now receiv'd a Letter from our Conſul at *Milo*, with the following Account of a New Iſland, *&c.* Take it in his own Words.

" There happening in this part of the *Archipelago*, at " the Iſland of *Sant-Erini*, a great Curioſity, I have " thought it worth your Notice. On the 12th of the " laſt Month there began to riſe up an Iſland a Musket- " ſhot diſtant from the Iſland of *Sant-Erini*, which con- " tinually increaſing from Day to Day in the ſame man- " ner, and troubling the Sea, there aroſe up ſeveral " Rocks, that fixed themſelves to this Iſland ; ſo that " at this time it is about half a Mile in Circumfe- " rence.

Milo, June 21. 1707, N. S.

Several others have much the ſame Account. I have writ to *Sant-Erini* for a piece of the Rock, and a more diſtinct Relation, which you may expect by my next, if worthy of Communication.

W. S.

From the Paris Gazette, *dated* April 14, 1708.

Conſtantinople, Jan. 4. 1708.

They write from the Iſland of *Sant-Erini* in the *Archipelago*, about 28 Leagues North of the Town of *Candia*, of the firſt of *December* laſt, that there was ſprung up an Iſland from the Bottom of the Sea, which at that place is very deep, formed of Stones caſt up by a *Volcano* under ground at the Bottom of the Sea, which has often produced the ſame Effects, and after the ſame Manner. In the Year 726, in the time of the Emperor *Leo Iſauricus*, there was formed an Iſland on the North ſide, called the *Burnt Iſland*, by Matter vomited up and heaped together by this *Volcano*. In the year 1427, in the Month of *December*, this *Burnt Iſland* was increaſed by great Rocks caſt up by Subterraneous Fires. In the year 1650, in the Month of *September*, the *Volcano* again took Fire, and produced the ſame Effects, without forming any Iſland, but only a Shelf or Bank 10 Fathom under Water in the Sea, where it has no Bottom. Laſtly, In the Month of *November* laſt, 1707, the *Volcano* made an Iſland, which is already two Miles in Circumference, and increaſes yet (this firſt of *December*) by Rocks and other new Matter that is thrown up. This Burning was preceeded, as at all other times, by violent Shakings of the Earth, followed by a thick Smoak that roſe out of the Sea in the day time, and Flames in the Night, and accompanied with a terrible roaring under Ground. There is no Example of the Effects of any *Volcano* at Land like theſe in the Sea; and yet what renders them the more credible, is, that the Iſland of *Sant-Erini* it ſelf, is almoſt all of it compoſed of Burnt Rocks and Pumice-ſtones: It produces ſome ſorts of Grain, but has neither Rivers nor Springs, nor any other Water but what is ſaved in Ciſterns.

VI. *Expe-*